

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/534,316	05/09/2005	Stefan Margheurite Jean Willems	BE 020033	4911
24737 7590 11/28/2007 PHILIPS INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY & STANDARDS P.O. BOX 3001			EXAMINER	
			LEE, PING	
BRIARCLIFF	MANOR, NY 10510	•	EXAMINER	PAPER NUMBER
			2615	
			MAIL DATE	DELIVERY MODE
			11/28/2007	PAPER

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

	Application No.	Applicant(s)		
Supplemental	10/534,316	WILLEMS, STEFA	N.	
Notice of Allowability			MARGHEURITE JEAN	
	Examiner	Art Unit		
	Ping Lee	2615	•	
The MAILING DATE of this communication at All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOLNOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1. 1. This communication is responsive to interview on 11/2.	IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in 85) or other appropriate commu FRIGHTS. This application is so 313 and MPEP 1308.	this application. If not inclu nication will be mailed in du	ided e course. THIS	
2. ⊠ The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-6</u> .				
3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priorit a) All b) Some* c) None of the: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents h	ave been received.			
2. Certified copies of the priority documents h	• •		antinu funus tha	
 Copies of the certified copies of the priority International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). 	documents have been received	in this national stage applic	cation from the	
* Certified copies not received:				
Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DA' noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDO THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.		a reply complying with the r	requirements	
 A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be su INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which 			NOTICE OF	
5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets")	must be submitted.			
(a) including changes required by the Notice of Drafts	person's Patent Drawing Review	(PTO-948) attached		
1) 🗌 hereto or 2) 🔲 to Paper No./Mail Date	,			
(b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examil Paper No./Mail Date	ner's Amendment / Comment or	in the Office action of		
Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CF each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such			he back) of	
 DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deattached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREME 			. Note the	
Attachment(s) 1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	5. ☐ Notice of Inf	ormal Patent Application		
2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-94		mmary (PTO-413),		
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),		Mail Date Amendment/Comment		
Paper No./Mail Date 4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Depo of Biological Material	sit 8. Examiner's	Statement of Reasons for A	llowance	
	9. 🗌 Other	<u>.</u> .		

Application/Control Number: 10/534,316 Page 2

Art Unit: 2615

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Edward Goodman on 11/21/07.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 6 (the original claim 8 has been renumbered as claim 6) has been replaced with the following: --

6. A <u>computer readable medium</u> [data carrier] storing a computer program for execution by a processor, the computer program causing the processor to generate an output audio signal by adding output components in a predetermined first frequency range to an input signal, and to generate the output components by performing a predetermined calculation on first input components in a predetermined second frequency range,

characterized in that the computer program causes the processor to set a first output energy measure, over a predetermined first time interval, of the generated output components, based upon a first input energy measure calculated over a predetermined second time interval of second input components, in a predetermined third frequency range of the input audio signal, wherein the predetermined third frequency range is different from the predetermined second frequency range, and is selected from a

Application/Control Number: 10/534,316 Page 3

Art Unit: 2615

predetermined number of frequency ranges, as the frequency range which is closest to the first frequency range according to a predetermined frequency range distance formula.—

- 3. The amendment is necessary because a data carrier, as specified in the specification, is not limited to a computer readable medium. By amended the claim, it is clear that the claim is limited to a computer readable medium
- 4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ping Lee whose telephone number is 571-272-7522. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vivian C. Chin can be reached on 571-272-7848. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

Brimary Examiner

Art Unit 2615

pwl